NURSING BOARD[655]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b."

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 147.76, the Board of Nursing hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 4, "Discipline," Iowa Administrative Code.

These amendments are proposed to change rules to meet current office procedures.

Any interested person may make written comments or suggestions on or before April 27, 2010. Such written materials should be directed to the Executive Director, Iowa Board of Nursing, RiverPoint Business Park, 400 S.W. 8th Street, Suite B, Des Moines, Iowa 50309-4685. Persons who wish to convey their views orally should contact the Executive Director at (515)281-3256, or in the Board office at 400 S.W. 8th Street, by appointment.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code chapters 147, 152 and 272C. The following amendments are proposed.

ITEM 1. Amend rule 655—4.11(17A,147,152,272C), introductory paragraph, as follows:

655—4.11(17A,147,152,272C) Application for reinstatement. Any person whose license to practice nursing has been suspended or revoked by order of the board or has been voluntarily surrendered may apply for reinstatement. A request for reinstatement must be accomplished in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in the board's order and filed in conformance with these rules. The reinstatement request must be submitted with two sets of the fingerprint packet to facilitate a national criminal history background check, plus the fee identified in the definition of "fees" in 655—3.1(17A,147,152,272C). All fees are nonrefundable.

- ITEM 2. Amend subrules 4.11(2) and 4.11(5) as follows:
- **4.11(2)** The respondent shall initiate proceedings for licensure reinstatement by making application to the board. The application shall be docketed in the original case in which the license was revoked, suspended or voluntarily surrendered and shall be subject to the same rules of procedure as other contested cases before the board. The person filing the application for reinstatement shall immediately serve a copy upon the attorney for the state of Iowa and shall in the same manner serve any additional documents filed in connection with the application.
- **4.11(5)** Applications not denied for failure to conform to the requirements imposed by these rules shall be set for hearing before the board. The hearing shall be a contested case hearing within the meaning of Iowa Code section 17A.12, and the order to grant or deny reinstatement shall incorporate findings of fact and conclusions of law. If reinstatement is granted, terms and conditions may be imposed. The applicant shall be provided a license reinstatement packet containing an application, a continuing education report form, fingerprint cards, and a statement of the fees as defined in rule 655—3.1(17A,147,152,272C).